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FROM AMBASSADOR MARSHILL

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MINI-COM IN NAIROBI JANUARY 22

1. WHILE OUR APPROACH TO AND DISCUSSION OF SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST AT MINI-COM WILL BE INFORMAL, I BELIEVE SOME PRE-MEETING STRUCTURING OF OUR TIME DURING ONE-DAY MEETING NECESSARY. THEREFORE SUGGEST EXCHANGE OF THOUGHT ON GENERAL TIME ALLOCATION TO SUBJECTS, AS WELL AS SUBJECT MATTER ITSELF. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING PROPOSAL.

2. 0800-0930: TEN TO FIFTEEN MINUTES EACH HIGH-LIGHTING OUR COUNTRIES' POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, STABILITY FACTORS, PLUS HOW COUNTRIES SEE THEIR RPT THEIR RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORS (MELONE TO COVER TFAI).

0930-1130: REGIONAL STABILITY; POSSIBILITIES OF INTERCOUNTRY WAR:

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(A) EXTERNAL INFLUENCES (SPECIALLY: SOVIET,

CHINESE, ARAB: EXAMINE THEIR SHORT- AND LONG-TERM OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTATIONS).

(B) IN WHAT WAYS IS THE U.S. CURRENTLY (OR CAN WE?) ASSIST IN PREVENTING ARMED CONFLICT?

(C) WHERE (GEOGRAPHICALLY AND ON WHAT ISSUES) IS THE DANGER FOR CONFLICT GREATEST, AND WHAT FURTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO BRINGING ABOUT (TRIGGERING) SUCH A CONFLICT?

(D) WHAT INFLUENCE, IF ANY, WOULD THE OAU HAVE?

(E) WHAT IS THE MILITARY BALANCE (CAPABILITY)?

(F) TFAI AFTER INDEPENDENCE: WILL FRENCH PROMISES KEEP WOLVES FROM THE DOOR?

1130-1230: RELATIONS BETWEEN COUNTRIES: OVERT AND SECRET TIES OR DISUNITY TO STRENGTHEN ALLIANCES OR BREAK THEM.

1400-1430: HOW DO COUNTRIES SEE THEIR INTEREST IN AFRICA (E.G., OAU, REGIONAL GROUPS, ON ISSUES SUCH AS ANGOLA, RHODESIA, SOUTH AFRICA)?

1430-1500: REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE INTERESTS (SUCH AS DROUGHT, OTHERS). HOW CAN THEY BE IMPROVED?

1500-1530: CONSIDER DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET, CHINESE AND ARAB ECONOMIC INTEREST.

1530-1545: U.S. TRADE AND INVESTMENT STATUS, OPPORTUNITIES. CONSIDER ACTIONS TO INCREASE. DISCUSS PRESENCE OF AND (POTENTIAL) IMPORTANCE OF MINERALS IN COUNTRIES--TO U.S. (ACCESS OR DENIAL).

1545-1700: WHAT ARE THE THREE MAJOR ISSUES OF EACH COUNTRY WITH THE U.S.? OF THE U.S. WITH EACH COUNTRY? ARE THERE ANY REGIONAL COMMON DENOMINATORS? IF SO, WHAT ARE THEY? COULD THEY BE APPROACHED ON A REGIONAL ACTION BASIS (I.E., BY TWO OR MORE AMBASSADORS SIMULTANEOUSLY)? COMPARE U.S. STRATEGIC INTERESTS (IF ANY).

1700-1800: HOW CAN WASHINGTON MOST EFFECTIVELY ASSIST POSTS IN CARRYING OUT OUR TASKS (HAVE WE ANY SUGGESTIONS?)

3. I LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING WHATEVER COMMENTS YOU MAY WISH TO MAKE SO THAT I MAY COLLATE THEM AND PASS THEM
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